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Facilities for Marakanam fishermen

* 172 *Q.*—Sri M. JAGANNATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state the various facilities provided for the fishermen near Marakanam Sea Coast in Tindivanam taluk in South Arcot district?

The Hon. Srimathi LOURDHAMMAL SIMON : Four Fishermen Co-operative Societies have been set up in the Marakanam Coastal area, one each at (i) Kaipanikuppam, (ii) Anamandaikuppam, (iii) Koonimedukuppam and (iv) Mudaliar Chavadikuppam. The main purpose in the formation of these societies is to provide the members with loan finance for purchase of fishery requisites. Long-term loans to the extent of about Rs. 25,000 have been distributed to the fishermen in 1958 through two of these societies for purchase of fishing implements. During 1957–58, yarn worth Rs. 10,000 was distributed to the fishermen through the four societies at 50 per cent of the cost. The society at Koonimedu has been granted Rs. 4,000 partly as loan and partly as subsidy, for the construction of a fish-curing yard-*cum*-godown.

Sri A. GOVINDASAMY : இந்த பகுதியில் மீன் பிடிப்பவர்களுக்கு பாப்லோ போட்களும், நைலான் வலைகளும் வழங்கப்பட்டிருக்கிறதா ?

The Hon. Srimathi LOURDHAMMAL SIMON : இது வரையில் இது கொடுக்கவில்லை.

Mr. SPEAKER : 173-வது கேள்வியையும், 192-வது கேள்வியையும் ஒன்றுசேர்த்து எடுத்துக்கொள்ளலாம். ஸ்ரீ பழனிசுவாமி, ஸ்ரீ கரயாளர், ஸ்ரீ சம்பத், ஸ்ரீ ரஷீத், ஸ்ரீ லாஸர் இந்த ஐந்து பேர்களும் கேட்டிருக்கிறார்கள்.

Yellow journalism

* 173 *Q.*—Sri N. K. PALANISAMI :
Sri K. SATTANATHA KARAYALAR :
Sri T. SAMPATH :
Sri A. A. RASHEED :
} Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any proposal to bring in legislation to curb yellow journalism in this State; and

(*b*) if so, the stage at which the matter now stands?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM : (*a*) The Government are examining proposals to amend the relevant provisions of the Indian Penal Code so as to cover publication of indecent or scurrilous matter or matter intended for blackmail.

(*b*) A draft Bill is being prepared and the Bill will be introduced in the Legislature in due course after it is finalised.